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Attention: Examiner Juanita Dionne Stephens

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Sir:

Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusions regarding patentability, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, applicants believe that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to teach, anticipate or render obvious the invention as claimed, independent of how the invention is paraphrased.

Respectfully submitted.

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